

# Witbank-Middelburg Branch

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## MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE MOTH HALL, WITBANK, ON 29th JANUARY, 1970

Mr J. Meintjes (Chairman) was in the chair.

There were also present: 7 Members: Messrs B. D. McNeice, A. Bain, G. E. Carlyon, C. H. Coxon, B. F. v. d. Merwe, A. C. Hofmeyer, H. J. R. Way. 4 Associate Members: Messrs E. J. Jackson, A. C. Melvill, W. Weber, R. E. Powell. 2 Visitors.

It was decided to have the visit to ETC at Barberton on 20th March. A programme will be sent to all members who indicated that they wish to go on this visit.

A talk on "Billet Casting of Ferrochrome" was given by Mr. B. F. van der Merwe.

After question time the chairman thanked the speaker and asked for the talk to be forwarded for possible publication in the *Journal*.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

# Orange Free State Branch

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## FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

The February General Meeting of the Branch was held in the St. Helena Club at 8 p.m. on the 11th February, 1970.

There were present: Mr N. A. Honnet (Chairman, O.F.S. Branch). Eleven Members: Messrs J. G. Kirchner, L. O. W. Leimer, J. N. Saunders (Committee Members), M. G. Cullen, T. R. F. Handley, C. J. Isaac, C. H. Kruger, J. D. McNamara, S. L. S. Swart, D. D. Waterman. Nine Associate Members: Messrs D. V. Baum, D. E. Couperthwaite, R. Cross, M. D. de Lange, T. M. Espach, D. C. B. Reynolds, R. B. Sutherland, J. W. van den Munckhof, C. G. J. Vermeulen. Two Graduates: Messrs M. T. G. Davies, E. J. Shillaber. Two Affiliates: Messrs A. E. Hooper, R. L. de G. Solms.

Approximately 20 visitors. Total present: approximately 45.

## MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING

The Minutes of the General Meeting held on the 12th November, 1969 were taken as read and adopted.

### GENERAL BUSINESS

The Chairman announced that the closing date for receipt of applications for the visit to SASOL had been extended.

### TALK ON MINING AT PILGRIM'S REST

Mr A. R. C. Fowler delivered his talk on 'Mining at Pilgrim's Rest,' and illustrated it by photographic slides.

### CLOSURE

After thanking Mr Fowler for his talk and all present for their attendance, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

# Book Review

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## METAL STATISTICS 1959-68, 56th ANNUAL ISSUE BY METAL GESELLSCHAFT AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, P.O. BOX 2609, FRANKFURT AM MAIN, GERMANY

This annual summary of the basic statistics of the major and some minor non-ferrous metals is one of the most important and reliable world sources of such information. The major metals dealt with are aluminium, lead, copper, tin and zinc. Other metals covered are magnesium, nickel, silver, mercury and cadmium. Notable exceptions are antimony, and the alloy metals, columbium, chromium, manganese, molybdenum, tantalum, tungsten, and vanadium as well as cobalt and titanium.

The statistics are very detailed covering mine production, metal production, consumption, imports and exports, and prices. Coverage is extended to the Soviet block countries.

The volume is divided into five parts:

The first is an introduction and summary of the Metal Industry of the year under review; world tables of basic statistics; detailed statistics by countries; price tables; and price graphs.

The volume is well printed and is a valuable addition to the statistical section of any library serving the mineral and mining industry. It is distributed free by the company to any reputable organization or persons who register their requirements.

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